

News & Events

May 8-21, 2025



CONGREGATIONAL FORUM

Wednesday, May 14 | 7:00 pm @ECOB Sanctuary

The Congregational Forum is ECOB's business session. Congregation members vote on the budget and hear reports from committees, Pastor Brian, and Leadership Team Chair, Jill Martin. Supporting documents are available in the Community Room or digitally [HERE](#).

SOULED OUT

Wednesday, May 14 | 6-6:30pm

Join Pastor Brian on the second Wednesdays of every month in his office to be in prayer for our congregation. The prayers will be inviting God to keep moving in mighty ways in and through our church, seeking His direction, vision, and power as we continue to live intentionally as innovative, adaptable, and fearless disciples.

SUMMER POP-UP LIFE GROUPS

Would you like to spend time this summer connecting to a group of people from ECOB through study, prayer, encouragement and fun? Sign up for one of our summer pop-up groups on Sunday, May 11 or 18 in the Community Room after each service. Three groups are available at the moment, but more can be added, as needed. All groups will meet at ECOB. Babysitting will be provided if needed.

1. **Sundays after church** (pot luck or order in) - June 1, July 6, August 3, led by Chris Reinford
2. **Mondays at ECOB, 6:30 - 8 pm** - June 23, July 21, August 11, led by Pastor Brian
3. **Tuesdays at ECOB, 6:30 - 8 pm** - June 10, July 8, August 5, led by Dean Sensenig

Sunday, May 11

Series: Dining with Jesus: A Place At The Table For Sinners and Saints

Title: Woe to You!

Scripture: [Luke 11:37-54](#)

Focus: While it's easy to clean things on the outside, we are called to clean out the things that are within us. Pastor Brian, speaking



Study Guide [HERE](#) or at Welcome Desk.

Sunday, May 18

Series: Dining with Jesus: A Place At The Table For Sinners and Saints

Title: Levi

Scripture: [Luke 5:27-32](#)

Focus: Jesus came for those who are not well. Pastor Brian, speaking

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Contact: [Carol Bowman](#)

Updated as of May 7, 2025

Marian Herr, now at home

Sympathy to Hugo Zorrilla and family, on the death Norma, who passed away May 5.

BIBLES FOR GRADS

Bibles are in the Community Room for our 2025 Grads! Write words or notes of encouragements on a provided post it note, and post it in the Bible.

ECOB OFFICE CLOSURE

The ECOB Office will be closed on Monday, May 26 for the Memorial Day Holiday.

REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM

Do you wish you could give more to ECOB but money is tight? You can with the Redner's Save-a-Tape program! Here's what you do:

1. Get a Redner's Reward card.
2. Use your Reward Card at checkout.
3. Save the receipt and put it in the black boxes in the Community Room at ECOB. Redner's gives us 1% and it doesn't effect your cash points or gas discounts.

ECOB MISSION

We are a FAMILY of disciples of CONNECT to, GROW in, LIVE out, and RADIATE the transformative power of JESUS in the world.



CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

radiate.

Contact: [Stacey Coldiron](#)

TRUSTEE WORK DAY

Saturday, May 10

8 am- 12 pm

@ECOB

Help the Trustees on mulching day! Join for any amount of time you can give. Bring rakes, wheelbarrow, and shovels, etc.



CITY GATE LUNCH

Saturday, May 10

9:30 am-1:15 pm

Food prep is for all ages. For serving downtown you must be 13 or older. Contact [Stacey](#) with any questions.

COLLECTION FOR UNLOCKED CLOSET

Sundays, June 1 & 8

ECOBPRIMETIME and Local ECOBMISSIONS will be having their collection drive for Unlocked Closet. There will be a bin in the Community Room for collection on both of those dates and throughout the week.

We are collecting:

- Swim Diapers - disposable and reusable ones in all sizes
- Kids socks
- Kids underwear sizes 3T-10/12



MOUNTAINEERS' TABLE FUNDRAISER AT JAVATEAS

Thursday, June 12 | 6 am - 9 pm

1 Dutchland Ave, Ephrata
10% of sales that day will go to the Mountaineers' Table weekly food distribution program.

For more information, contact

mountaineerstable@gmail.com



kids through grade 4

Contact: [Michelle Nolt](#), Coordinator
Parents: Check in by Kid's Entrance **PRIOR** to Service

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUPS

9:45-10:35 am

Class 1: Preschool walking-PreK | Class 2: grades K-4

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Infant-2 & Preschool Care during 10:45 Service
Kids Church (K-4 grade) - kids attend beginning of 10:45
Service with family then are dismissed before the sermon.

ECOBKIDS TOT LOT

Tuesdays, May 20 & Jun 3 | 9:30-10:30 am

@ECOB Life Group Parking Lot

Free play for babies and preschoolers with an adult present. Coffee and conversation for the adults.
(Community Room if rain)

ECOB VBS 2025 SAVE THE DATE

THE AMAZING RACE:

EPHRATA TO THE DR

July 15, 16, 17 - 6-8 pm @ECOB

Family Night - July 18, 6-8 pm @ECOB

For ages 3 years old through entering grade 5.

Contact [Michelle](#) with questions.

MOVE UP SUNDAY

Sunday, June 1, 2025
Both Worship Services

Celebrating those
entering Kindergarten,
5th Grade, & 9th Grade!

Sign up your
child or teen!



 KIDS
 YOUTH

CAMP SWATARA
Staff [Opportunities](#)

CAMP WOODCREST
Father Daughter [Canoe](#)

grow.



students in grades 5-12

Contact: [Chris Reinford](#), Youth and YA Director

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUPS

9:45-10:35am (Teacher must be present before
students go downstairs)

Class 1: grades 5-8 | Class 2: grades 9-12

UPCOMING ECOBYOUTH EVENTS

Sun, May 18 - ECOBYOUTH

Grad Sunday & Party 12pm @Pavilion - Sign-up [HERE](#)

Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Jesus Rally (MS/HS) 6-8pm

Fri-Sat, May 30-31 - HS Guys' Night Out

Fri-Sun, May 30-Jun 1 - HS Girls' Night Out

All Sign-ups are [HERE](#).



ECOB YOUNG ADULTS



Contact: [Chris Reinford](#), Youth and YA Director

CAFFEINATED CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, Jun 1 -

@Javateas Pavilion, 9:45-10:30 am



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ECOB YOUNG ADULTS

MONTHLY EVENTS

Wed, May 21 - Trivia Night @ORD, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Open to all ages!



ECOBMEN MONTHLY BREAKFASTS

Sat, May 17 | 7 am

@Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant

RSVP needed to [Shaun Mendenhall](#)

SAVE THE DATE: ECOBMEN'S BROS AND BBQ

Saturday, Aug 16

12 pm @ECOB



ECOBPRIMETIME BREAKFAST

Wednesday, May 21 | 8:30 am

@Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant

Register by May 19 to Sam Frankhouser

(safh@ptd.net or 717-669-5720)

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET

Thursday, July 10 | 2 pm show

Cost \$25 - Cash or check payable to ECOB

with Memo line ECOBPRIMETIME

Contact [Vivian Killian](#) (717) 279-1057

Sign-up at Welcome Desk May 18 - June 8.

ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT WOMEN'S CAMP

Friday, Aug 15 to

Saturday, Aug 16

@Camp Swatara

Speaker: Naomi Kraenbring

Look for more information coming soon and mark your calendar.

live.

WE ARE HIRING

ECOB CHILDREN'S CENTER

Full-time
Toddler Teacher

Childcare
experience is
preferred but not
required.

Contact
lauren.cc@ecob.church



New Designated Offering Envelopes

Want to designate your offering to a specific fund? Use the new envelopes located on the side of the Gifts Boxes in the Community Room.

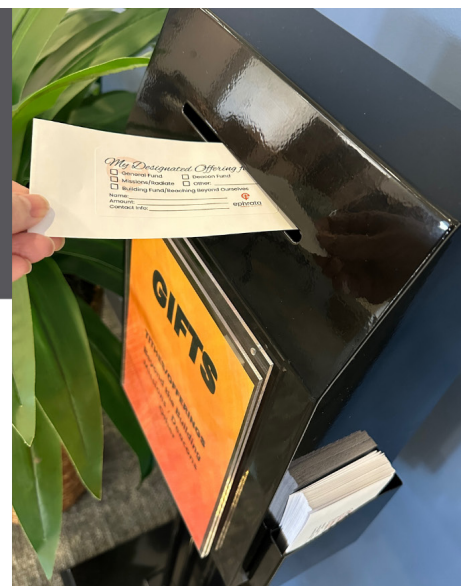
My Designated Offering for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Deacon Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Missions/Radiate | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Fund/Reaching Beyond Ourselves | |

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Contact Info: _____



ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT (ANE)

ANE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

October 10 Worship Service:

Spring Creek Church of the Brethren,
Hershey PA

October 11 Business Session: The
KAV, Elizabethtown College

More info [HERE](#).

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN (CoB)

NATIONAL OLDER ADULT CONFERENCE (NOAC)

Sept 1-5, 2025 | Lake Junaluska, NC

NOAC general registration opened online

May 1. Register [HERE](#).

Get details about the ANE District Bus that is available [HERE](#). The deadline to sign-up for the bus is July 28.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN CORNER



TITHE.LY

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Download the Tithe.ly app—a safe and easy way to give any time. (select "Ephrata Church of the Brethren") OR give through the [ECOB website](#).



Sunday Services (in-person and online): 8:30 am Classic | 10:45 am Contemporary
Office hours: Mon - Fri 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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